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The listed documents are being submitted in compliance with 37 CFR §1.97(c), before the mailing date of either a final action under 37 CFR §1.113, a notice of allowance under 37 CFR §1.311, or an action that otherwise closes prosecution in the application.

RELEVANCE OF EACH DOCUMENT

Any document listed on the attached PTO/SB/08 was cited as being relevant during the prosecution of the corresponding Japanese and U.S. patent application(s). Copies of the Notice of Rejections for Japanese Patent Application Nos. 2001-583733 and 2001-529425 are attached, as well as two Office Actions for related U.S. Patent Application Nos. 11/979,231 and 10/701,064.

Please note that U.S. Patent Nos. 5,656,299, 6,177,103, 6,316,029, and U.S. Patent Publication No. 2002/0012675 are not listed on the PTO/SB/08. These references were already cited in the present application. An English-language Abstract is provided for JP 6-227967, as well as English-language counterparts.

Applicants respectfully request that each listed document be considered by the Examiner and be made of record in the present application and that an initialed copy of Form PTO/SB/08 be returned in accordance with MPEP §609.

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